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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 02 May 2006 – 08:00 03 May 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	5	_	5	Incl. a 15-year-old child beaten
Attacks	3	3	6	3 during raids & 3 from military posts
Raids	18	_	18	Incl. 3 in Nablus & 6 in Bethlehem
Air Patrols	_	4	4	Incl. helicopters over Khan Yunis
Arrests	14	1	15	Incl. 3 officers & 1 university student
Detentions	20	_	20	Incl. 1 Palestinian security officer
Wall Construction	31	_	31	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	2	_	2	Incl. doors of 1 shop damaged
Confiscation of Property	1	1	2	Incl. 1 fishing boat in Khan Yunis
Closure of Checkpoints	9	_	9	Incl. 'Atara & Za'tara partially
Flying Checkpoints	9	_	9	Incl. 2 in Tulkarem & 2 in Salfit
Closure (per District)	6	1	7	Incl. a buffer zone in Northern Gaza
Closure of Main Roads	27	_	27	Incl. Al Badhan road in Nablus
Closure of Crossing Points	_	7	7	Incl. Beit Hanun and Rafah partially
Palestinian Attacks	_	3	3	5 unidentified mortars fired
TOTAL	145	20	165	

DISTRICT	EVENT
ALL DISTRICTS	 Beginning on 11 March 2006, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip districts and to prevent civilians with permits, including workers, from crossing into areas inside the Green Line and into the city of Jerusalem. Beginning on 17 April 2006, and following the suicide attack carried out in the city of Tel Aviv inside the Green Line, the Israeli army has intensified its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, in the old city of Jerusalem, and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat Al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a checkpoint, only allowing civilians residing behind the Wall, holders of Jerusalemissued IDs, and civilians with permits to cross. The Israeli army closed the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala with cement slabs, thereby completing the Wall section in the area. Checkpoint: According to new measures implemented at Qalandiya checkpoint, which the Israeli army has converted into a "border crossing point", the Israeli army has designated a special crossing for civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army has allowed other civilians to access the main road leading to the junction to the village of Jaba', which branches off to other districts. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, and west of the village of Al Jib. Physical Assaults: Israeli troops positioned at the village of 'Anata checkpoint north of the city of Jerusalem beat Ni'man As'ad Halaysheh. At 18:20, Halaysheh was admitted to Ramallah Public Hospital.
	(ii) Israeli troops positioned at Qalandiya checkpoint beat 15-year-old Yazan Ahmed Suleiman. At 22:40, Suleiman was admitted to Ramallah Public Hospital.

	 Raid: On the dawn of 02 May 2006, the Israeli army raided the village of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Salem al Halseh in the village of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to deny access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, in the town of Beituniya, and west of the town of 'Abud and the village of Beit Sira. Raids/Detention/Destruction of Property: At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya, opened indiscriminate fire, and searched a number of houses after detaining residents outside. The Israeli army also damaged the doors of 1 commercial shop, arrested 2 civilians, and withdrew at 04:00. At 02:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area until 03:50. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Beituniya, including Yazeed 'Odeh.
JENIN	 Closure of Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for Jericho-ID holders and commercial trucks. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Flying Checkpoints: At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jenin, searched civilian vehicles, impeded civilian access, and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer. At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Ya'bad and the village of Zabda, searched civilian vehicles, and prevented civilians under 30 years of age from crossing in both directions. Raids: At 23:15, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided the town of Az Zababida. While searching a building and detaining residents outside, the Israeli army also opened fire and fired sound grenades. At 06:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. At 02:30, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided the town of Kafr Ra'i, searched a number of houses and commercial shops, and arrested 2 civilians. At 06:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

Arrests: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the southern (i) entrance to the city of Jenin arrested Ziyad Yousef Smeirat, a Palestinian National Security officer. The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Kafr Ra'i: (ii) Ayman Tareq Milhem; and Fadi Marwan Mirshed. (iii) Closure: The Israeli army continues to impose a complete closure on the district of Tulkarem and to declare it a closed military zone following a suicide attack carried out on the junction to the village of Far'un. The Israeli army continues to impede civilian access to and from the district. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following roads: the road connecting Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem to the town of Kafr al Labad; the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa; the southern entrance to the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya; and the Kafr Sur-Wadi at Tin road. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the road connecting the town of Beit Lid to the village of Kur. **Checkpoints:** The Israeli army continues to close 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-(i) Nablus road, denying access to civilian vehicles. The Israeli army prevents civilian residents of the Tulkarem district from leaving the TULKAREM district, except for those residing in towns and villages east of the checkpoint. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara (ii) checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) and to prevent civilians holding IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem from crossing towards the southern districts of the West Bank. In addition, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint allow civilian residents of villages located south of the city of Tulkarem in the Tulkarem district to cross in their vehicles, only after examining civilians' places of residence. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Raid: At 03:10, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Attil, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. **Arrest:** The Israeli army arrested Wajdi Saleh Khalil in the town of 'Attil. **Wall Gates:** Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special (i) Israeli permits. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma (ii) **QALQILIYA** Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Kafr Laqif and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the main road leading to the district of Jenin between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. Instead, the Israeli army has forced civilians to travel along an unpaved 1.5-km-long road, which branches off from the Nablus-Tulkarem road and intersects with the Nablus-Jenin road opposite the village of Sabastiya.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades Al Badhan road, which is the north-eastern entrance to the city of Nablus and connects the city to the district of Jenin.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Beita with dirt barricades.

• **Checkpoints:**

- (i) The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing Huwwara, Beit Iba, At Tur Mountain, and Beit Furik checkpoints around the city of Nablus. The Israeli army closes the checkpoints overnight and reopens them at various morning hours.
- (ii) The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Beit Iba and Huwwara checkpoints and denied access to civilians between 15 and 30 years of age as well as holders of IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem.
- Flying Checkpoint/Detention/Confiscation of Property: At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and the village of Seida and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops positioned at checkpoint also detained Mohammed Sa'adeh, a Palestinian National Security officer, and confiscated a sum of NIS 100 and a pair of shoes that were in his possession.

• Physical Assaults:

(i) Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint west of the city of Nablus beat Omar Mustafa Makhlouf. At 09:20, Makhlouf was admitted to Nablus Public Hospital.

Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint west of the city of Nablus beat 2 civilians:

- (ii) Ayman 'Awadh Rabay'ah; and
- (iii) Emile Nasser Zaghloul.

At 12:25, the 2 civilians were admitted to Nablus Public Hospital.

• Raids/Detention:

- (i) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and searched a number of houses.
- (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Furik and searched 1 building after detaining residents outside.

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 (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Till and search number of houses. Arrests: On 01 May 2006, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkly arrested 2 Palestinian National Security officers: (i) Mu'taz Abdul Mannan Jum'ah; and 	
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(ii) Banan Abdul Lateef Barham.	
(iii) At 09:30, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up at	the
entrance to the town of Beit Furik arrested Omar Mustafa Hana	
university student.	
(iv) At 23:15, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrozaki Khalil Sadeq.	ested
Closure of Main Roads:	
(i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-we entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising).	
(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the we	stern
entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Marda as well a	
road connecting the town of Deir Istiya to the village of Haris.	
Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the we	stern
entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the vi	llage
of Qarawat Bani Hassan with an iron gate.	nage
• Checkpoints:	
(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir B checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik.	allut
SALFIT (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za	'tara
junction checkpoint and to prevent civilians holding IDs issued in	
districts of Jenin and Tulkarem from crossing towards the sout	hern
districts of the West Bank.	. 41 ₀ 0
• <u>Wall Construction</u> : Wall construction continues near the Green Line in town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, northwe	
the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl I	
north of the settlement of Ari'el.	
• Flying Checkpoints:	_
(i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Wadi (-
road connecting the districts of Salfit and Qalqiliya and sear civilians and vehicles.	cnea
(ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between	ı the
towns of Kafr ad Dik and Bruqin and searched civilians and vehicle	
• Raid: The Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bruqin.	
• <u>Closure</u> : At 10:00, the Israeli army intensified the closure imposed or	
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Jericho from leaving the city and denied civilians from other districts of into the city, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to design the city and denied civilians from other districts of into the city, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to design the city and denied civilians from other districts of into the city, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to design the city and denied civilians from other districts of into the city, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to design the city and denied civilians from other districts of into the city, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to design the city and denied civilians from other districts of into the city, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to design the city and denied civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to design the city and denied civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to design the city and denied civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to design the city and denied civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to design the city and denied civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to design the city and denied civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to design the city and denied civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to design the city and denied civilians holding the city and denied civilian	-
checkpoints in all directions. In addition, the Israeli army continues to	

Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks, to prevent farmers not holding Jericho-issued IDs from reaching their land forcing them to apply for access permits, and to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli-issued IDs.

• Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close Al Hamra checkpoint set up on the Jericho-Nablus road, denying civilian access, except for farmers holding Jericho-issued IDs.
- (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army closed the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and denied civilian access, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to cross in both directions. In addition, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint only allowed civilian residents of the city of Jericho to enter the city.
- **Flying Checkpoint:** At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Ein ad Duyuk and denied civilian access in both directions, only allowing civilian residents of the city of Jericho to enter the city.
- <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal because they hold West Bank identity cards while their village is located within the Israeli-defined municipal boundaries of Jerusalem.
- Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp and in the Everest area, northwest of the city of Beit Jala.

Raids:

- (i) At 20:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Tuqu' and opened indiscriminate fire while it was patrolling the area.
- (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 12 jeeps, raided the town of Al 'Ubeidiya, searched a number of houses, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 03:00.
- (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the city of Beit Jala and searched a number of houses.
- (iv) At 03:25, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided 'Ayda refugee camp and searched a number of houses.
- (v) At 04:25, the Israeli army raided the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem and arrested 2 civilians in the city of Bethlehem.

• Arrests:

(i) The Israeli army arrested Firas Mohammed Hassaneh in the town of Al 'Ubeidiya.

The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the city of Bethlehem:

- (ii) Omar 'Ayed Zawahreh; and
- (iii) Abdullah Ghassan Hirmas.

BETHLEHEM

• <u>Closure</u>:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the H2 section of the city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; and the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrance to the area of Al Khan in the old city of Hebron with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the closure of civilian commercial shops on both sides of the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron from 06 November 2005 until 07 May 2006. Civilian vehicles are prohibited from travelling along the road unless they possess access permits. Only Israeli settler vehicles are allowed unrestricted access on the road.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul, the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron, the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron, and the entrance to the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron with cement blocks.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the towns of Surif and Beit Ula, south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa', and southeast of the town of Yatta. The Israeli army has also completed construction of most sections of the Wall in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the town of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and in the village of Ar Ramadin.

• Raids/Destruction of Property:

- (i) At 19:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, searched 1 house in Abu Sneineh neighbourhood, and damaged its contents.
- (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura, searched a number of houses and commercial shops, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

• Beginning on 16 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the Gaza Strip ostensibly due to Palestinian individuals' firing of mortars towards the Green Line.

HEBRON

NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure: Beginning at 18:00 on 28 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a buffer zone (through open fire as well as artillery and air attacks) in the area near the Green Line, including the area of the debris of evacuated settlements. Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases after prior coordination. Air Patrols: At 11:00, and again at 21:40, Israeli army combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the northern area of the Northern Gaza district. Palestinian Attacks: At 08:45, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line, of which 1 exploded in the area from which it was launched. At 21:15, 1 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. At 23:55, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line, of which 1 exploded in the area from which it was launched. 	
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Nahal 'Oz Crossing is closed. Attacks: At 09:50, and again at 15:50, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 88 on the Green Line towards a number of shepherds at a distance of 100 metres from the Green Line east of the Gaza city. 	
CENTRAL GAZA	 <u>Attack</u>: At 15:50, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 115 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp. <u>Air Patrol</u>: At 22:00, Israeli army combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Central Gaza. 	
KHAN YUNIS	 Air Patrol/Attack: At 22:15, Israeli army combat helicopters patrolled the skies over Palestinian territory east of the area of Al Qarara and fired 3 flares over the area opposite Point 147 on the Green Line. Arrest/Confiscation of Property: At 04:00, Israeli naval boats arrested 'Azeez Radhwan Bakr at sea opposite the beach of the city of Khan Yunis and towed his fishing boat to Ashdod Port. 	
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is partially open in both directions to passengers holding Palestinian IDs, humanitarian cases, and Arab and foreign diplomatic missions. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. 	

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	 Abuse of Political Prisoners: (i) The Israeli Prisons Administration closed the postal accounts belonging to many political prisoners held in Israeli prisons, thereby preventing their families from transferring money to them and disallowing them from buying essential supplies from prisons' canteens. (ii) The Israeli Administration of Ketziot ("An Naqab") Military Detention Camp carried out a sudden security search in 4 sections of the detention camp and searched political prisoners' personal belongings.
WORK PERMITS	 West Bank: The Israeli authorities annulled all the work permits issued to Palestinian workers for crossing the Green Line. Gaza Strip: Valid work permits that have been issued by the Israeli authorities for crossing the Green Line total 11. All the Palestinian workers possessing the valid work permits (11) were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line.